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In re application of

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Takayuki YAMAMOTO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/918,532

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Examiner: Tatyana Zalukaeva

For: ACRYLIC PRESSURE-SENSITIVE ADHESIVE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING
THE SAME

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Please note that the Federal Government
was closed on September 18 and 19, 2003,
due to Hurricane Isabel

Sir:

In supplement to the Amendment filed July 18, 2003, please consider the following
remarks.

REMARKS

To show that the term "molecular weight" by itself is art-recognized, Applicants submit herewith various literature references. For example, the x-axis in Fig. 1-3 on page 17 of Billmeyer, Textbook of Polymer Science, 3rd Ed., is simply labeled "Molecular Weight," and the figure is described as showing the distribution of "molecular weights." On page 41 in Stevens, Polymer Chemistry, 2nd Ed., *M* is the "molecular weight" of a species *i*. At the bottom of page 41, Stevens gives an example in which a polymer sample consists of 9 mol of molecular weight 30,000 and 5 mol of molecular weight 50,000, with these molecular weights being used to